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Report for the period Thursday, February 14 through Monday, February 18, 2008.

2/14 THURSDAY

(1) CAL-BRED REPORT

Purse \$15,000 for Cal-Bred Four Years Old and Upward, claiming \$12,500 at six furlongs. Four horses were entered in the race and the race was called off.

(2) DECLARATION- REFUND

#1 SIMULCAST
Vet- Injury Dr. Isbell D.V.M.

(Tr. William Morey)
Refunds \$ 862.00

(3) 4th RACE INQUIRY

Following the running of the fourth race the inquiry sign was lit for a review of observed interference nearing the wire involving #2 DR. POOH (1st place, Russell Baze) and #4 YOU IS WHAT YOU IS (2nd place – Inoel Beato).

After reviewing the tapes of the race the order of finish as posted was declared official. The tapes show #4 drift out and under left hand whip and force #2 off its path causing the latter to lose ground. #2 won the race therefore no disqualification was warranted.

(4) 8th RACE INQUIRY – OBJECTION

Following the eighth race the inquiry sign was posted for a Steward's review and a jockey objection. The objection was lodged by jockey Russell Baze rider of second place finisher, #5 HYPER DPEES HOWARD against the winner #2 ONEANWIN, ridden by jockey Inoel Beato for alleged interference near the wire.

After talking to the riders involved, the Patrol Judge and reviewing the recorded views of the race, by majority vote the order of finish as posted was made official.

The tapes show #2 drift out near the wire and force #5 off its path. The majority of the Stewards were of the opinion the placings were not affected. Steward McHargue was of the opinion #5 was cost a better placing.

(5) LAGE RULING

Ruling # 7

Trainer Armando Lage, who started the horse ALLEY FIGHTER, winner of the third race at Golden Gate Fields on January 1, 2008, is fined the sum of seven hundred and fifty dollars (\$750.00) * pursuant to California Horse Racing Board rule # 1887 (Trainer To Insure Condition of Horse) for violation of California Horse Racing Board rule # 1843 (a) & (d) (Medication, Drugs and Other Substances: Phenylbutazone – in excess of permitted level: 5.97 ug/ml). [Class VI – second offense]

The ruling listed above was issued after Mr. Lage met with the Stewards, waived his rights to a hearing and pled guilty. Mr. Lage surmised after talking to his employees the overage was due to a late administration by his veterinarian and now has new guidelines for any veterinarian treatments at his barn.

(6) ATTENDANCE – HANDLE

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| On Track Attendance | 1,283 |
| N-Cal Attendance | 3,670 |
| On Track Handle | \$379,891.10 |
| N-Cal Handle | \$1,199,511.60 |
| <u>S Cal on N Cal</u> | <u>\$458,684.10</u> |
| Total Handle | \$2,974,661.20 |

2/15 FRIDAY

(1) CAL-BRED REPORT

Purse \$11,000 for Cal-Bred Fillies Three Years old, claiming \$6,250 at one mile and one sixteenth. Only three horses were entered in the race and the race was called off.

(2) BEATO RULING

Ruling #8

Jockey Inoel Beato who rode YOU IS WHAT YOU IS in the fourth race at Bay Meadows Race Course on Thursday, February 14, 2008 is suspended three (3) racing days (February 22, 23 and 24, 2008) for failure to make a proper effort to maintain a straight course in the stretch and causing interference. A violation of California Horse Racing Board rule # 1699 (d) & (f) (Riding Rules- Careless Riding).

The preceding ruling was issued after Mr. Beato reviewed the fourth and eighth races from yesterday's races and failed to offer a valid excuse that would absolve him of a sanction for his ride in the fourth race.

(3) DECLARATION – REFUND

2nd race #3 SANDS OF TIME
vet- sick Dr. Isbell D.V.M.

(Tr. William Delia)
Refunds \$ 211.00

(4) RACING PROGRAM

The racing program progressed smoothly without noteworthy incident.

(5) ATTENDANCE- HANDLE

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| On Track Attendance | 1,184 |
| N-Cal Attendance | 3,604 |
| On Track Handle | \$344,136.70 |
| N-Cal Handle | \$1,340,947.10 |
| <u>S Cal on N Cal</u> | <u>\$508,912.60</u> |
| Total Handle | \$3,291,081.60 |

2/16 SATURDAY

(1) CAL-BRED REPORT

Purse \$15,000 for Cal-Bred Fillies and Mares Four Years Old and Upward, claiming \$12,500 at six furlongs. Three horses were entered in the race and it was called off.

(2) DECLARATION – REFUND

8th race #6 FREESGOOD
vet- sick Dr. Isbell D.V.M.

(Tr. William Currin)
Refund \$ 602.89

(3) MACEDO RULING

Ruling #9

In the Matter of: Owner Alex Macedo

Having satisfied outstanding financial obligations to San Francisco Equine Inc, the license privileges of Owner Alex Macedo are restored to good standing and Pacific Racing Association ruling # 18, dated November 30, 2007, suspending Alex Macedo for violation of California Horse Racing Board rule # 1547 (Failure to Appear) is hereby set aside.

The ruling listed above was issued after the Stewards were notified by San Francisco Equine Inc. representative Lisa Rodriguez that Alex Macedo had paid the debt in full.

(4) INQUIRY – DISQUALIFICATION

The inquiry sign was lit after the running of the seventh race for a review of an observed foul near the eighth pole involving the winner #9 CHANTING WARRIOR ridden by jockey Pedro Flores and fourth place finisher #3 BUDDEES ART ridden by Macario Rodriguez.

After talking to the riders involved, the patrol judge and reviewing the recorded views of the incident, #9 was disqualified from first and placed fourth.

The tapes show #9, while racing on the outside, drift in, bump and impede #3. #3 was knocked off stride and in the unanimous opinion of the Stewards cost a better placing thus the disqualification.

(5) ATTENDANCE- HANDLE

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| On Track Attendance | 3,904 |
| N-Cal Attendance | 7,783 |
| On Track Handle | \$965,129.60 |
| N-Cal Handle | \$2,443,102.40 |
| <u>S Cal on N Cal</u> | <u>\$949,375.20</u> |
| Total Handle | \$5,623,999.47 |

2/17 SUNDAY

(1) CAL-BRED REPORT

Purse \$12,000 for Cal-Bred Three Year Old, claiming \$8,000 at one mile. The race failed to fill and was called off with three entries.

(2) BEATO FILM REVIEW

Jockey Inoel Beato was invited in to analyze and give his opinion as to what caused #2 FAST CORREDOR, in yesterday's fifth race to stumble near the quarter pole while racing on the heels of Mr. Beato's mount, #4 BARNEY. Jockey Francisco Duran acted as an interpreter for Mr. Beato.

After viewing the films Mr. Beato stated, his mount maintained its course and did not cause #2 FAST CORREDOR to catch heels. That statement could neither be refuted nor supported due to the fact the incident happened in a location where the films failed to place blame on either horse. No sanction was issued.

(3) FLORES RULING

Ruling # 10

Jockey Pedro Flores who rode CHANTING WARRIOR in the seventh race at Bay Meadows Race Course on February 16, 2008 is suspended five (5) racing days (February 24, 25, 28, 29 and March 1, 2008) for failure to make a proper effort to maintain a straight course in the stretch and causing interference resulting in the disqualification of his mount from first to fourth. A violation of California Horse Racing Board rule # 1699 (d) & (f) (Riding Rules- Careless Riding)

The foregoing ruling was issued after Mr. Flores reviewed the stretch run with the Stewards and acknowledged he made an error.

(4) DECLARATION- REFUNDS

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| 2 ND race # 5 WOOD ART vet- injury Dr. Isbell D.V.M. | (Tr. Greg James) Refund\$ 308.00 |
| 4 th race # 1 SIOUX RIVER SUE vet- injury Dr. Christiansen D.V.M. | (Tr. Lloyd Mason) Refund \$ 41,960.50 |
| 5 th race # 3 CARIBBEAN'S COMIC Stewards- no papers | (Tr. Antonio Lopez) Refund \$ 124.50 |

(5) JOCKEY OBJECTION 4th RACE

Following the running of the fourth race jockey Juan Ochoa rider of #4 Picassa (10th place) lodged a claim of foul against #5 FIRST KISS (4th place) ridden by jockey Catalino Martinez for interference soon after the start.

After talking to the riders involved and reviewing the recorded views of the race, the order of finish as posted was declared official.

The tapes show #4 PICASSA break slow, and steady momentarily, and then bobble as #5 shifts inward. In the Stewards unanimous opinion the incident was insufficient to have effected #4's placing therefore no change was made to the order of finish.

(5) ATTENDANCE – HANDLE

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| On Track Attendance | 2,731 |
| N-Cal Attendance | 6,234 |
| On Track Handle | \$739,425.00 |
| N-Cal Handle | \$2,058,729.90 |
| <u>S Cal on N Cal</u> | <u>\$969,582.00</u> |
| Total Handle | \$5,128,240.82 |

2/18 MONDAY

(1) CAL-BRED REPORT

Purse \$9,500 for Cal-Bred Four Year Olds and Upward which have never won three races, claiming \$6,250 at six furlongs. The race was called off with five entries.

(2) DECLARATIONS – REFUNDS

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| 5 th race #6 ACES OVER QUEENS | (Tr. Jerry Hollendorfer) |
| vet- injury Dr. Isbell D.V.M. | Refunds \$848.10 |

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| 8 th race # 5 NORISKA NUMBER ONE | (Tr. Silverio Martinez) |
| vet-sick Dr. Isbell D.V.M. | Refunds \$ 33.50 |

(3) LOPEZ RULING

Ruling # 11

Trainer Antonio L. Lopez, is hereby fined three hundred dollars (\$300.00)* pursuant to California Horse Racing Board Rule # 1629 (Penalty for Late Declaration), for failure to have the foal certificate of CARIBBEAN'S COMIC in the racing office, necessitating a late declaration from the fifth race on Sunday, February 17, 2008, at Bay Meadows Race Course.

The preceding ruling was issued after Mr. Lopez contacted the Stewards, waived his rights to a hearing and pled guilty.

(4) ATTENDANCE- HANDLE

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| On Track Attendance | 7,046 |
| N-Cal Attendance | 10,838 |
| On Track Handle | \$964,938.70 |
| N-Cal Handle | \$2,430,504.60 |
| S Cal on N Cal | \$949,087.80 |

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| Total Handle | \$5,342,345.95 |
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| | 14-Feb | 15-Feb | 16-Feb | 17-Feb | 18-Feb | TOTAL | TOTAL |
| ACCIDENTS | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 |
| CAL-BRED RACES | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| CLAIMS | 5 | 2 | 5 | 5 | 5 | 22 | 31 |
| DISQUALIFICATIONS | 0 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 3 |
| INQUIRIES / OBJECTIONS | 2 | 0 | 1 | 1 | 0 | 4 | 8 |
| REFUNDS | 1 | 1 | 1 | 3 | 2 | 8 | 20 |
| RULINGS | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 5 | 11 |

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